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JOE T. HARRIS WINS BIG HARNESS STAKE

Local Man Takes First and Fourth in \$250 Event—Other Home Victors—

LARGE CROWD TODAY

Estimate Varies From 8,000 to 10,000 This Afternoon—Yesterday's Race Results.

It was estimated that between 8,000 and 10,000 persons were on the grounds at the Boone County Fair this afternoon. Awards for the boys' and girls' club contests were postponed until tomorrow.

Joe T. Harris of Columbia took first place in the feature event this afternoon, the \$250 harness stake. He also took fourth place.

Late results today:

In class 51, the \$250 stake, Joe T. Harris of Columbia won first and fourth prizes for the light harness horse, mare or gelding. Houchin and Anderson won second; E. D. Moore, third, and E. G. Davis, fifth.

E. D. Moore won first money for the best saddle mare in class 45. Blades and Holman, of Holiday, Mo., were second; Loula Long, Kansas City, third; Houchin and Anderson, Jefferson City, fourth.

Virginia Hunt of Columbia had the best saddle pony in class 47b. W. R. Prather was second and Frank Harris, Jr., third.

J. E. Wright of Columbia won first prize in class 50, with the best running walk or plantation horse, mare or gelding. Frank Bumgartner of Columbia was awarded second.

Taylor and Estes of Columbia won the only draft horse ring at the fair this morning. Their draft team was awarded first premium.

Russell Rogers was awarded first premium for the best draft colt, second premium going to W. M. Jones.

Today's show rings at the Boone County Fair:

Saddle colt, one entry, Rex Squirrel, owned by Gled Davis, Columbia. Saddle gelding: First, Johnnie Jones, E. D. Moore, Columbia; second, Nickel Plate, Houchin and Anderson, Jefferson City, Mo.; third, Blades and Holman, Holiday, Mo.; fourth, C. E. Dunlap, Fulton, Mo.; fifth, A. B. Sheppard, Columbia.

Roadster team: First, Peter Pan and Prince Albert, owned by Joe T. Harris, Columbia; second, C. E. Dunlap, Fulton, Mo.

Saddle stallion: First, Imperious King, Miss Loula Long, Kansas City, Mo.; John T. Hook up; second, Cason McDonald, owned by Murray Cason, Centralia, Mo.; E. D. Moore, Columbia, up; third, Sutton Star, owned by J. A. Potts, J. A. Potts up; fourth, Rex McCowan, C. M. McCowan up.

Harness stallion, three years and under four: First award, Houchin and Anderson, Jefferson City, Mo.; second, Blades and Holman, Holiday, Mo.

Yesterday's Race Results.

Columbia got its first look at a woman driver in a harness race at the fairgrounds yesterday. Mrs. W. E. Daoust of Carlinville, Ill., driving her Bud C in the 2:20 trot, won second money in the \$400 purse. Six heats were necessary to decide the winner. The final heat was narrowed down to Mrs. Daoust's entry and that of John Rosson of Paragould, Ark. Each previously had won two heats of the five.

Mrs. Daoust's skilful handling of her entry won applause in every heat. Most of the big crowd in the stands were rooting for her in the last heat, but the man drove under the wire half a length ahead in one of the most exciting finishes of a day marked by neck-and-neck racing.

Yesterday's racing results:

First race, 2:11 pace, purse \$300—Captain Fields, owned by W. E. Daoust, Carlinville, Ill., won in straight heats; Black Squaw, owned by T. S. Hutton, Kansas City, second; Inez Robertson, owned by John Harrison, Marshall, Mo., third. Time, 2:14½, 2:14½, 2:15.

Second race, 2:20 trot, purse \$400—Al C. owned by John Rosson, Paragould, Ark., won; Bud C. owned by W. E. Daoust, second; Gentry R., owned by C. F. Webster, Shreveport, La., third; Billy B., owned by J. A. Courtney, Ottawa, Kan., fourth. Six heats; time, 2:20½, 2:17½, 2:20½, 2:19½, 2:20½, 2:29½.

Third race, 2:20 pace, purse \$400—Bell Robertson, owned by John Harrison, won; Louis C. owned by James Wheery, Clinton, Ill., second;

Montie Direct, owned by S. A. Martin, Denver, Colo., third; Aberdeen Bell, owned by M. A. Pickle, Aberdeen, Miss., fourth. Four heats; time, 2:18½, 2:15½, 2:15½, 2:18½.

Fourth race, running, 4½ furlongs, purse \$75—Battiestein won; Prince of Castle, second; London Girl, third. Time, 57½ seconds. Alice McCoy, Dally Hays and Wild Lady also ran. Fifth race, running, one-half mile, purse \$75—Scissors Grinder won; Beaverstein, second; Tarlton P, third; Beacon Lantern, fourth.

TOMORROW'S PROGRAM

Saddle and Harness Horses.

52. Saddle bred colt, 1 year old and under 2: First \$7.50, second, \$2.50.

53. Saddle mare, 2 years old and under 3: First \$7.50; second \$2.50.

54. Saddle mare, 3 years old and under 4: First \$7.50, second \$2.50.

55. Runabout mare or gelding, driven by owner: First \$10, second \$5.

Special—O. J. Mooers of Columbia offers service to Advance Guard, season of 1916, for the best colt, either sex, sired by Advance Guard, foal of 1915.

56. Harness stallion, 2 years and under 3: First \$7.50, second \$2.50.

57. Riding team (lady and gentleman) both riders and horses considered: First \$15, second \$12.50, third \$10, fourth \$7.50, fifth \$5.

58. Harness stallion, 4 years old and over: First \$10, second \$5.

59. Harness gelding, 4 years old and over: First \$10, second \$5.

60. Junior saddle stake, horse, mare or gelding: First \$75, second \$62.50, third \$50, fourth \$37.50, fifth \$25.

BROWNS MUST WIN NEXT GAME

Loss to Paris Sunday Will Put Columbia in Third Place.

The Columbia Browns are preparing for a big game at Paris, Mo., Sunday. They are not letting the fair interfere with their practice. They practiced yesterday and more practice is scheduled for tomorrow and Saturday.

Manager Charles Morris promises to have some new men in the field against Paris. Bryant probably will pitch. The Browns hope to be able

DON'T FORGET— "KAZAN" STARTS TODAY.

On page two of this issue of the University Missourian is begun "Kazan," by James Oliver Curwood. "Kazan" is an animal story, forcibly and descriptively written. To get the full benefit of Mr. Curwood's masterly writing, the reading of the story should be begun with the first installment. The synopsis will be run in succeeding issues, allowing of a later start; but for the full benefit the start should be made NOW.

to play George Taylor at third base. Paris and Columbia both are making a big fight for the top rung of the Central Missouri League. Hence, a good game is expected.

If Columbia wins and Centralia rolls Higbee in the mud, the Browns will have a good chance for the leadership of the league. If Paris wins, however, the Browns will drop into third place.

Columbia has won the last two games with Paris.

Two Traffic "Cops" on Job Again.

Traffic policemen again have appeared on Columbia streets. Because of the increased traffic on Broadway during the fair, two men were placed on duty to aid in handling the crowds. Robert Douglass, a special policeman, was stationed at Broadway and Eighth streets and W. R. Miller, assistant chief of police, was at Broadway and Ninth streets.

Family at Fair; \$35 Blaze.

The fire truck was called out last night about 11 o'clock to answer an alarm turned in from the home of W. E. Thornton, 108 Alexander avenue. The fire caused about \$35 damage. No cause could be found. The family were at the Boone County Fair at the time. The loss was covered by insurance.

Auto Accident Victims Doing Well.

Dr. and Mrs. W. T. Walker, of Mason City, Ill., who were injured in an automobile accident near Columbia Tuesday afternoon, were reported by the authorities at the Parker Memorial Hospital today to be doing as well as could be expected.

EXHIBITORS AT FAIR GET AWARDS TODAY

Quantity Less This Year, but Quality Better, Says the Secretary.

SOME COME IN LATE

Even Children Are Represented Among Winners of Prizes in Floral Hall.

Although the exhibits in Floral Hall at the Boone County Fair are not so extensive as in previous years, they are of better quality, according to Miss Sara Hall, secretary of the exhibits. Especially is this true of the embroidery exhibits. Some specimens of hand work were brought to Miss Hall today to be placed on exhibit, but they were too late to be entered in the competition.

The following awards were reported by the judges this afternoon:

Class A, hand-made articles: Cotton quilt, Mrs. John Belcher; sample plain sewing, Miss Mary Stephenson; fancy apron, Mrs. Wallace Rice; child's dress, Miss Mattie Slate; silk rag portieres, Mrs. Tilden Turner; rag rug, Mrs. J. W. Swearington; lady's white dress, Mrs. Claude Street.

Class B, French embroidery: Waist, Mrs. Wallace Rice; corset cover, Mrs. Stanley Smith; centerpiece, Mrs. C. W. Newman; infant's carriage robe, Mrs. T. K. Catron; pillow slips and sheet, Mrs. Claude Street; gown, Mrs. Victor Jones; pin-cushion, Mrs. Claude Street; pair towels, Mrs. Claude Street.

Cross-stitch Embroidery.

Class C, cross-stitch embroidery: Pair towels, Mrs. Stanley Smith; specimen of embroidery, Mrs. J. A. Gibson.

Class D, English eyelet embroidery: Waist, corset cover, gown and centerpiece, Mrs. Claude Street.

Class E, tatting: Not less than two yards, Miss Fannie St. Clair; collection of medallions, Roberta Bryant; pair of towels trimmed in tatting, Roberta Bryant.

Class F, crocheting: Counterpane, Roberta Griffen; luncheon set, Mrs. J. W. Adkins; table runner, Mrs. C. G. Ridgeway; centerpiece, Mrs. J. W. Adkins; corset cover yoke, Mrs. Thad T. Christian; lace, not less than two yards, Mrs. Hartford Hall; crocheted bag, Mrs. Stanley Smith; nut baskets, Miss Etta Tomlinson; pair towels, Mrs. Stanley Smith; bath towels, Miss Helen Crouch.

Class G, wool crocheting: Porch jacket, Miss Florence Bryant.

Class H, miscellaneous: Hemstitching, Mrs. Thad Hickman; embroidered tablecloth and napkins, Mrs. C. W. Newman; luncheon set, French knot embroidery, Mrs. Tilden Turner; huck darned embroidery, Mrs. Claude Street; infant's smocked dress, Mrs. T. K. Catron; specimen smocking, Mrs. John Belcher; fancy work bag, Mrs. Girard Robertson; Raffia collection, Miss Hollie Ausburn.

Work of the Youngsters.

Class I, work by girls and boys un-

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LOSS BY FIRE HERE \$5,000 IN 6 MONTHS

Constant Decrease Is Noted by Chief Earl Kurtz, Who Plans Ahead.

HOPES FOR A RECORD

Last Year's Cost of \$19,206.10 Will Be Lowered if Work Keeps Up.

Since the arrival of the fire truck in Columbia, the total amount of fire loss to insurance companies has been greatly reduced. In 1911, insurance companies paid out \$39,189.75 to fire losers. In 1912, \$50,701.83 was paid out by the insurance companies, and in 1913 the amount jumped to \$101,702.94. About \$50,000 of this was caused by fires in January and February.

Fires were so numerous then that girls at the University began making "dates" to go to the fires. Then, on March 1, the truck came and the fire loss in the remaining eight months was a little less than half what it was the first two months.

In 1914 only \$19,206.10 was paid out by insurance companies for fire losses. This notable decrease probably will be beaten this year, for during the first six months of 1915 insurance companies paid out only \$5,000. About \$4,000 of this loss was caused by sparks from flues falling on combustible roofs.

Had it not been for this decidedly noticeable decrease in fire loss, Columbia would not have received a lower fire insurance rating, says Chief Kurtz. In giving Columbia a lower rating, Charles G. Revelle, state insurance commissioner, is really making an experiment. Fire prevention, and not so much fire protection, is what he preaches. His chief support in this belief is the new law that was passed by the State Legislature which gives the fire chief in any town the power to make property owners keep their buildings properly equipped for fire prevention. All buildings that in the mind of the chief of the fire department, are fire traps, may be condemned by him. He is required by the state commissioner to keep on file the record of each building in regard to its susceptibility to fire, so at any time the commissioner can turn to any building in the state and find out its fire rating.

"Fire prevention is just as important as fire protection," says Chief Kurtz, "for it prevents a man whose building is a fire trap from causing the rest of the property owners in that district to pay high rates just on account of him. By the new law he must keep his building just as near fire proof as possible. I am going to exert my power along this line and see that all of Columbia's fire traps are weeded out."

Women Buy Todd Grocery Store.

Miss Anna Young and Miss Della Rumans have bought the grocery store conducted by Todd Brothers at Walnut and North Eighth streets and will open for business tomorrow.

REPORTER FINDS WARRIOR IN TATTOO ALONG MIDWAY

"Yes sir," remarked "Prof." Charles A. Thomas, the tattooed man in the side show at the fair, to his admiring audience who visually traced the many colored designs over the "professor's" body. "I have been in the army for 15 years and have learned the art of tattooing from the men who know."

After the show the reporter called upon the man with the many colored coat and inquired a little about his past life. Having long since lost any bashfulness he might have possessed, the "professor" entered into an animated talk about himself.

"I was born in New York, but that is not what I started to tell you about. I was in the navy when 'Fighting Bob' Evans made the world tour with the fleet. And I was at Vera Cruz at the time of the trouble there. I got my honorable discharge and have sort of been a soldier of fortune ever since."

"What are you doing with this show?" the reporter asked him.

part of it was after they paid you, they might decide to knife you for your gold. It was soft, though, and lots of fun.

"When you went into a restaurant you paid for your meal with your own money. That is, you just signed your name on a slip of paper for the correct amount. Any American is a general if fighting with the Mexicans. A general is as common a thing in Mexico as a colonel in Mississippi."

"I have seen fellows work for Carranza one week and Villa the next. Whoever paid the most gold got the men. About \$500 will furnish any man with an army of peons. It got too hot for me; so I packed up for Brownsville. But in case the good old U. S. A. gets into it, I would enlist so fast that this show or any other would not even know where I went to."

The side show people are a great lot. They are just like one big family from the dwarf to the fat woman. They all have their tales and it is worth anybody's time to talk with them, whether one believes half what they say—which is about the right proportion.

THE WEATHER

In Columbia the weather will be somewhat cloudy and unsettled, with showers to-night or Friday; not much change in temperature.

For Missouri: Partly cloudy tonight with showers west portion. Friday probably showers.

Weather Conditions.

The atmospheric pressure is relatively low throughout the country, having several centers of action. As a result unsettled weather prevails and showers have fallen in a number of localities in the states lying between the Rocky Mountains and Mississippi River, while east of the Mississippi, and more particularly the Ohio and Tennessee valleys, they have been more or less general.

Temperatures are somewhat under the seasonal average in all sections. In Columbia the weather will be somewhat unsettled for the next two or three days, perhaps with occasional showers. Temperatures will not change much.

Local Data.

The highest temperature in Columbia yesterday was 82 and the lowest last night was 60; precipitation .00; relative humidity 2 p. m. yesterday, 52 per cent. A year ago yesterday the highest temperature was 85 and the lowest 60; precipitation .00 inch.

The Almanac.

Sun rises today, 5:19 a. m. Sun sets, 7:08 p. m. Moon sets 8 p. m.

CALENDAR.

August 13.—Last day of Boone County Fair.

August 14-23.—Columbia Chautauque.

September 13-15.—Entrance examinations and registration for regular University session.

September 16.—Class work in University regular session begins.

VOLCANOE ARE ACTIVE

Italian Villages Fear Vesuvius, Mount Etna and Stromboli.

By United Press.

NAPLES, August 12.—Vesuvius, Mount Etna and Stromboli, three of the world's greatest volcanoes, suddenly became active today. Huge clouds of steam and smoke are issuing from their craters. Streams of lava are flowing down the east slope of Mount Etna from two craters, threatening the destruction of the Sicilian villages.

The whole population of Naples, Messina and other Sicilian cities are in a state of terror.

THREE BOOTLEGGERS ARRESTED

Police Find All Well Supplied, One With Loaded Revolver.

Thieves, burglars and confidence men are not the only law breakers that follow fairs, evidently, for yesterday the police arrested three bootleggers with the "goods" on them.

John Epperson and Clarence Turner, both negroes, were arrested at the fair yesterday afternoon. They had a large suitcase which contained fourteen pints of cheap watered whiskey. Turner said he was only helping Epperson carry the suitcase and did not know what it contained. Nevertheless, they were both fined \$300 and costs this morning in the police court.

D. H. Rowland, of the night police force, was walking down Broadway near the Katy depot last night when he passed a negro carrying a large suitcase. The negro looked familiar; so Rowland accosted him. Later examination proved the negro to be John Rollins, indicted by the recent grand jury for violation of the local option law. Rowland arrested him and found in the suit case seven half pints of whisky, and one pint and one quart of the same liquor. Rollins also had in his hip pocket a loaded revolver.

The city authorities turned him over to the county, where he will have to answer to two charges: one for carrying concealed weapons and the other for violation of the local option law. Rollins served three years once in the penitentiary.

FAIR BOOMS MARRIAGE RATE

Two Couples Get Licenses Today and Seek Same Minister.

Marriage licenses were issued today to Otha W. Gibson and Miss Jesse Bailey of Sturgeon and to Charles B. Lewis and Miss Mollie Miller of Dripping Springs, Mo. The Rev. A. W. Pasley married both couples.

Mr. Gibson and Miss Bailey were married at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon. Mr. Lewis and Miss Miller were married at 10 o'clock this morning.

Miss Bailey is only 17 years old. J. E. Bailey, the father, gave his permission for the marriage.

June brought in seventeen licenses, which is low for June. July claimed fourteen. Eleven licenses have been issued this month. It looks as if the fair might have a favorable influence on the marriage market. Five licenses have been issued the first three days of the fair.

St. Louis Newspaper Man Here.

James Edwards of the Globe-Democrat is in Columbia today, "covering" the "Big Thursday" of the Boone County Fair for his paper.

CARRANZA AT WORK IN A NEW WARNING

Address to "False Strangers" Causes Administration to Plan Action in Return.

FLEET TO SAIL SOON

Defiance of Mexican Leader May Draw U. S. Again Into Armed Intervention.

By United Press.

GALVESTON, August 12.—"False strangers are in imminent danger," Carranza personally cabled the consul here. He reported also the receipt of an answer to the note he addressed to Argentina, adding that the president of Argentina replied that he entered the Pan-American Conference understanding that there would be no armed intervention and no destruction of Mexico's domestic affairs.

Carranza said that the Brazilian minister left because of ill health, but that the Guatemalan was expelled as a pernicious foreigner.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, August 12.—President Wilson and Secretary Lansing met at noon today to take up Carranza's warning and to decide how to answer it.

The situation is this:

Full action is necessary at the Pan-American Conference to get another appeal to the Mexicans to get together. The Latin-Americans are opposed to intervention under any circumstances.

Carranza is boldly defiant. His agents hint that they might get together if they were assured representation in proportion to the territory dominated and the number of inhabitants controlled.

Border conditions are seriously complicated by what appears to be strongly seditious sentiment among the Mexican-Americans on the American side of the Rio Grande.

The situation at Vera Cruz is greatly improved, but there are still threats of anti-foreign outbreaks.

The army and navy are ready for any emergency. The president is entirely satisfied with Lansing's handling of the case.

It is believed that Carranza's note of warning is highly objectionable to the President. It is recognized that such answer as the Administration must certainly wanted to make would likely precipitate the situation, rendering intervention inevitable. It is understood that other Latin-American countries hold the same view as Argentina. If the United States intervenes, the United States must act against vigorous conferees. It is believed that Carranza seeks to compel intervention in order to consolidate the Mexicans and to win the sympathy of the Latin-American nations.

Carranza Arraigns Conference.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, August 12.—Carranza today authorized a scathing arraignment of the Pan-American Conference, the White House and financial interests on both sides of the border. The article was written by General Jara, the Constitutional.

Regular Cabinet Meeting Is Off.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, August 12.—The regular Friday Cabinet meeting has been called off. President Wilson wants a personal conference with each department head in order to have his plans fully formulated when he presents them to the Cabinet.

Atlantic Fleet to Sail August 29.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, August 12.—It is now admitted by the State Department that the entire Atlantic fleet will leave Newport for southern waters, August 29.

Infantry Goes to Brownsville.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, August 12.—The War Department was informed today by General Funston that a detachment of the Ninth Infantry has been sent to Brownsville at Colonel Blockson's request, on account of the threatening condition.

French Aviators at Work.

By United Press.

BERLIN, August 12.—French aviators today bombed Zwiebrucken and Sankt Ingbert in Bavaria, killed eight and wounded several.